

Retrofit LA

(County of Los Angeles)

ARRA-EECBG Funding: \$8,000,000

Leverage Funding: \$74,403,275

Projected Electricity Savings: 8,742 MWh annually

Projected Natural Gas Savings: 680,850 therms annually

Estimated GHG Emission Reduction: 7,903 tons CO₂e

Prime contractor: County of Los Angeles Internal Services Department

Sub contractors: Vanir Construction Management, Inc., Bevilacqua-Knight, Inc.

Partnering with Workforce Development Program(s):

Will coordinate with existing local and statewide job training organizations and resources such as the California Building Performance Contractors Association (CBPCA), local Workforce Investment Boards (WIB), utility training centers, community college districts, local economic development programs, Build It Green, and others; residential training and certification will conform to the national Home Performance with Energy Star Program guidelines, Building Performance Institute standards, and HERS II requirements.

Contract Description:

The program seeks to retrofit 6,975 homes through an extensive network of homeowner incentives, including utility rebates. Cities, COGs, and utilities will work collaboratively to implement strict protocols that will assure consistent project quality, high performance, and verifiable results. Uses for ARRA-EECBG funds: refine marketing and outreach strategies; develop workshops for directing stakeholders and contractors into the program; establish contractor scholarships for BPI/HERS training

Highlights:

The program will use an innovative marketing and outreach strategy to motivate property owners to participate. The County of Los Angeles has already allocated a portion of its previously awarded EECBG formula funding to develop a building retrofit program for the entire county. Because of this investment, the *Retrofit LA* contract will help expand implementation from unincorporated County and the City of Los Angeles to achieve unprecedented market penetration countywide. Retrofit LA is also poised to leverage LA county's share of EECBG funds awarded under the Better Buildings Program. The program uses an aggressive retrofit strategy that seeks to obtain a minimum 20% energy savings on average.